



NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES
Serving Nevada's Heroes

Women Veterans Informer

Nevada Veterans Advocacy Conference

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This is a two day workshop (October 15-16, 2016), hosted by the Nevada Department of Veterans Services (NDVS) for individuals willing to volunteer their time as Advocates for Veterans in the State of Nevada.

NDVS will provide classes to educate participants on Nevada Veterans Advocate responsibilities and provide resource information.

Register at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nevada-veterans-advocacy-workshop-tickets-26904410817>

Check-in will begin at 7:00am Saturday, October 15, 2016.

To speak with the workshop coordinator please call 775-321.4708.

Date and Time

Saturday, October 15, 2016, 7:00 AM

Sunday, October 16, 2016, 5:00 PM

Grand Sierra Resort and Casino
2500 East 2nd Street, Reno, NV



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Veterans Committees



The North Las Vegas Veterans Community Commission (VCC)

The VCC's mission is to assist local veterans with reintegration into the City of North Las Vegas community and accessing all available and applicable resources and services.

The VCC is to act as an advisory committee to the Mayor and City Council on matters related to the Veterans in the City of North Las Vegas.

The VCC will meet on October 08, 2016 at North Las Vegas City Hall - Council Chambers 2250 Las Vegas Blvd., North; North Las Vegas NV 89030
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM.

For additional information:

http://www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com/departments/mayor_and_council/veterans_community_commission.php

Women Veterans Advocacy Committee (WVAC)

Governor Sandoval signed into legislation creating this committee under Assembly Bill 241 (A.B. 241). This bill expands the work completed by the Women Veterans Advisory Committee as established by Executive Order. Assembly Bill 241 solidifies the WVAC in statute and requires the committee to support the Nevada Department of Veteran Services with locating, educating and advocating for all women veterans, determine the unique needs of women veterans, conduct outreach, promote benefits and superior health care for women veterans, and develop educational programs for pupils, business leaders, and educators about the important role of women veterans.

The next WVAC meeting will be October 19, 2016 at 10 AM
Call 702.791.9000 ext 15518 for additional information.

<http://www.veterans.nv.gov/page/commissions-and-committees>



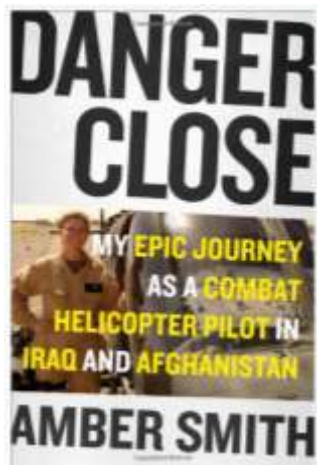
United Veterans Legislative Council (UVLC)

UVLC is a voice for Veterans in Nevada to provide an opportunity to discuss, prioritize, and put forth proposed legislation to the Assembly and Senate.

To learn more:

<https://www.facebook.com/united.veterans.legislative.council/>

Women Veterans News

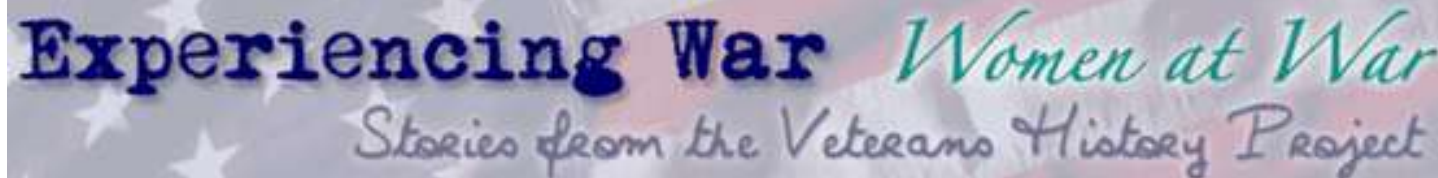


From 2003 to 2010, Amber Smith served with the 101st Airborne's 2-17 Cavalry Regiment out of Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Her first deployment was in Iraq in 2005, and then her second deployment was in eastern Afghanistan in 2008. Her military career is the focus of her new memoir, "Danger Close: My Epic Journey As A Combat Helicopter Pilot In Iraq And Afghanistan," which hit shelves on September 6, 2016.

Having joined the Army in the early days of the Global War On Terror, Smith's entrance into military aviation preceded the opening of combat arms positions to women by more than a decade. And while "Danger Close" certainly makes a strong case for gender integration in the military, it does so only by example. Smith, whose parents and two sisters were also pilots, didn't join the Army to make a statement or blaze trails. She joined to fly helicopters.

Article can be accessed: http://taskandpurpose.com/danger-close-is-the-first-major-war-memoir-told-from-a-kiowa-pilots-perspective/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tp-today Book can be purchased: <https://www.amazon.com/Danger-Close-Journey-Helicopter-Afghanistan/dp/150111638X>



"Women at War" covers four wars, beginning with World War II, the first conflict in which American women appeared in uniform in all branches of the armed forces. The collection of stories includes nurses like Frances Liberty, who served in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, and Jeanne Urbin Markle, who served with her husband in Vietnam. Other stories feature civilian codebreakers, a flight surgeon, and two history makers. Learn more about Women at War: <http://www.loc.gov/vets/stories/ex-war-women4wars.html?loclr=blogfit> and <http://www.loc.gov/vets/stories/ex-war-womenatwar.html>



State of Women Veterans: Know when to apply for disability compensation. Learn More and Apply. In previous eras, women Veterans were less likely to self-identify as Veterans and may not have applied for all the benefits they earned through their service. For example, in 2000 women were 6 percent of all Veterans, but made up only 5.2 percent of Veterans receiving disability compensation. However, in 2015, about 9.3 percent of Veterans receiving disability compensation were women – roughly the same as percent we make up in the overall population of Veterans. This is tremendously encouraging news, indicating to me that outreach and awareness

efforts are making a difference.

However, we can still do more! Please help us raise awareness among women Veterans that, if they have disabilities, medical conditions, or injuries incurred or aggravated during active military service – no matter when or where they served – they may be eligible to receive tax-free monthly benefits. Call NDVS today! For more information: <http://www.blogs.va.gov/VAntage/30651/state-of-women-veterans-know-when-to-apply-for-disability-compensation/>

AmeriCorps!



Do you want to serve your community by assisting those who served us? Then we've been looking for you.

As a VISTA AmeriCorps Member, you will use your expertise in building high capacity engagement strategies for the Nevada Department of Veterans Services.

Moreover, you can earn tuition relief and a living stipend, all while serving those who served.

Location:

6880 S. McCarran Blvd Bldg A, Suite 12 Reno NV 89509

Contact:

Blake Boles

702-283-9827

bolesb@veterans.nv.gov

How to Apply

Go to <https://www.vistacampus.gov/how-apply-ameri-corps-vista>, create a profile, and search for this vacancy within the Reno, NV area.

Deadline Date: Oct 10, 2016



Nevada Day!



Parade day kicks off with an 8:00 AM hot air balloon launch on Carson Street near the Carson Mall (weather permitting).

At 10:00 AM a flyover of military craft signals the start of the parade. The parade begins at the intersection of William and Carson Streets, concluding around 1:00pm to 2:00pm at the intersection of Stewart and Carson Streets.

Local law enforcement and public officials start the parade, followed by plenty of floats, marching bands, and a variety of entertainment. Usually about 200 entries make up the Nevada Day Parade each year.

Locals and visitors are encouraged to arrive early with lounge chairs and blankets to stake their claim for a spot along the parade route on Carson Street. Food, drink and souvenir vendors the route, and local businesses often feature food and beverage specials during the parade.
<http://nevadaday.visitcarsoncity.com/>



Happy Nevada Day! 1864-2016

All over this beautiful State there's heaps of fun to dive into. Celebrate our Nevada Day by participating in an activity in your neck of the woods or take a road trip somewhere else in Nevada.

Fun for every age! From Art & Festivals, to Cook-off's and Rodeos, plus 5K's and Zombie Run's... Nevada has it all!!!

Boulder City: <http://www.bouldercitychamberofcommerce.com/calendar-of-events.html>

In Elko: <http://www.elkocva.com/calendar.php>

Las Vegas & Surrounding Areas: <http://www.vegas4locals.com/resources/>

Pioche: <http://www.piochenevada.org/events.htm>

Reno: <http://www.downtownmakeover.com/calendar/>

Sparks: <http://cityofsparks.us/visiting/special-events/special-events-calendar>

West Wendover: <http://www.westwendovercity.com>

Winnemucca: <http://www.winnemucca.com/calendar-events/community-calendar>

Career Corner



Truckee Meadows Community College Job Fair

10/12/2016

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

RDMT 115

Truckee Meadows Community College,
7000 Dandini Boulevard - Reno

University of Nevada, Reno 13th Annual Fall Career Fair

10/13/2016

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Joe Crowley Student Union Ballrooms
1664 North Virginia Street – Reno



Academic & Administrative
Faculty

Part-Time Faculty

Classified Staff

Student Employment

Community Jobs

Human Resources

There are a variety of job opportunities at WNC
Start here: <http://www.wnc.edu/jobs/>



JOIN, Inc. is northern Nevada's workforce development agency, serving residents in 13 Nevada counties by providing educational and occupational training for individuals seeking careers, financial stability, and personal success.

Contact or visit any JOIN, Inc. office to receive more information and determine eligibility. <http://www.join.org/contact/>

Carson City

Address: 716 N Carson St # 108 Carson
City NV 89701
Phone: (775) 283-0125

Fernley

Address: 460 W Main St, Fernley, NV
89408
Phone: (775) 575-1222

Elko

Address: 618 Idaho Street, Suite Number 2
Elko, NV 89801
Phone: (775) 753-1700

ProNet

Address: 1201 Terminal Way, # 109 Reno,
NV 89502
Phone: (775) 674-5408

Ely

Address: 894 ½ E. Aultman St. Ely, Nevada
89301
Phone: (775) 289-3061

Reno/Sparks

Address: 1201 Terminal Way, Suite 104
Reno, NV 89502
Phone: (775) 336-4450

Fallon

Address: 121 Industrial Way Fallon, NV
89406
Phone: (775) 423-6162

Winnemucca

Address: 211 S. Bridge St. Winnemucca, NV
89445
Phone: (775) 623-6218



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HUD-VASH

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development VA Supportive Housing



Find permanent housing with the [U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development VA Supportive Housing](#) (HUD-VASH) voucher program. The HUD-VASH program provides employment training, housing placement, health care and mental health services.

Anyone who is homeless and eligible for VA health care may receive services from the Homeless Veterans Outreach Center located at 350 Capitol Hill Ave. in Reno. They can meet with a social worker and be provided with services and support, which can include permanent housing through the HUD-VASH program. Veterans can contact the Veterans Outreach Center by calling 775-324-6600 or visiting its office, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. or, if you are in the Southern Nevada area contact the CRRC VA Homeless Program on Monday-Tuesday and Thursday- Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The address is 4461 E. Charleston Blvd.; Las Vegas, NV 89104 information: (702) 791-9077

HUD-VASH:
Permanent Housing
for Homeless Veterans



Student Veterans of America - Educational Resources for Veterans



The recent closure of ITT Educational Services, Inc. has directly impacted more than 6,000 student veterans who now find themselves facing a new challenge in their higher education journey. Student Veterans of America is here to provide guidance in this journey, and while that which has been done cannot be undone, it remains that there is nothing more important than a college degree in today's economy. Follow the steps in this guide to help you identify a new educational institution to complete your degree at, and use the benefits you earned.

If you would like to speak with someone to help you with this process, the SVA team is standing by to help and you can reach us at 202-223-4710 or by email at contact@studentveterans.org.

Please note: if you have student loans, you may be eligible to get your federal loans forgiven. If you have not yet transferred your credits to "a comparable educational program at another school," then you are now eligible to have your federal loans forgiven by the US Department of Education.

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ITT Tech



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Breast & Ovarian

Cancer Awareness Event

Join us!!!!

Wednesday

October 12, 2016

10:30 a.m.

VA Hospital Auditorium

6900 N Pecos Rd

North Las Vegas, NV 89086

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Several Booths
 - a) Traditional & Alternative Treatment Options
 - b) Counseling Options
 - c) VA claims
 - d) Veteran Services
3. Dedication of Healing Tree
4. Decorate Healing Tree



Resources for Veterans



VA STANDDOWN

The VA will have a Stand Down on October 6, 2016.

Stand Downs are events providing supplies and services to homeless Veterans, such as food, shelter, clothing, health screenings and VA Social Security benefits counseling. Veterans can also receive referrals to other assistance such as health care, housing solutions, employment, substance use treatment and mental health counseling. They are collaborative events, coordinated between local VA Medical Centers, other government agencies and community-based homeless service providers.

Check the VA website for further details: <http://www.va.gov/homeless/events.asp> or call/email Susan Kingsbury (702) 791-9000, x15446 Susan.Kingsbury@va.gov

HONORING WOMEN VETERANS

At the Nevada Department of Veterans Services, we're committed to delivering quality services to all Nevada veterans, and these pages will educate you – a woman veteran who proudly defended our freedom – about benefits and resources.

Women have served the cause of freedom in every war and every generation since the Revolution. Those we honor number some 1.8 million, including nearly 24,000 women veterans currently residing in Nevada. Today, more than 25 percent of our military strength worldwide is women, and women serve in almost every capacity in the armed forces, including in combat zones on land, at sea and in the skies. More than 177,000 women from across the country have served as fighter pilots, medics, military police and in other roles since the start of the Global War on Terror.

It's all too common for women veterans to pack away their uniforms and memories upon return to civilian life, never to discuss their experiences again. Many women who honorably served don't even realize they're veterans – or realize their eligibility for benefits. Through these pages, we acknowledge your service and offer several resources to help you understand your status and what it means. By working together, we will achieve success in establishing a network to further communication and women veterans outreach.



VISION

Nevadans across the state understand and celebrate the legacy of America's servicewomen and all Nevada women veterans understand and have access to benefits to which they are eligible.

MISSION

To provide women veteran benefit and activity information; resolve women veteran problems or refer veterans to NDVS service officers and other beneficial service providers for assistance; and to develop programs and activities that ensure Nevada women veterans understand, and are able to obtain, any aid or benefit to which they may be eligible.



Connect with Nevada Department Veterans Services:



**Women Veterans
Program Coordinator**
Southern Nevada
Healthcare System
VA Medical Center
6900 N Pecos Rd. 1C237
North Las Vegas, NV 89086
702.791.9000 ext 15518

**Nevada Department of
Veterans Services**
1(866) 630-VETS
1(866) 630-8387

**Department of
Veterans Affairs**
1(800) 827-1000

**VA Suicide
Prevention Hotline**
1(800) 273-TALK
1(800) 273-8255

Visit www.Veterans.NV.gov
for information :

- Nevada State Veterans Home
- Southern and Northern Nevada Veteran Memorial Cemeteries
- Veterans Rural Outreach
- "ROVER" Calendar



Nominate a Woman Veteran for Veteran of the Month

To read the Veteran of the Month Guidelines
and access submission forms please go to:

<http://www.veterans.nv.gov/page/veteran-of-the-month-program>

To submit articles and pictures for publication in the
Women Veterans Informer please email the Women Veterans Coordinator at:
WomenVets@veterans.nv.gov

Stay Connected!



Website: <http://www.veterans.nv.gov/>



Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NevadaWomenVeterans>



Twitter: https://twitter.com/NDVS_WVC



Google+: <http://tinyurl.com/NDVSgpage>



Email: womenvets@veterans.nv.gov

Wreaths Across America

Their mission is to, Remember, Honor, and Teach. WAA coordinates wreath laying ceremonies in Northern and Southern Nevada. They also organize of events including international veteran's tributes and ceremonies.

The program is dependent on the generosity and donations made by individual wreaths sponsors, corporate and volunteer donors.

To Donate or to Learn More visit:
<http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/>

Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery
14 Veterans Way
Fernley, NV 89408

Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery
1900 Buchanan Boulevard
Boulder City, NV 89005



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